



Docket No.: 21420 US (C038435/0185662) *IB*

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Tatsuo HOSHINO *et al.*) Examiner: L. TONGUE
Serial No.: 10/528,881) Art Unit: 1645
Filed: September 9, 2005)
For: **MICROORGANISM AND PROCESS**)
FOR PREPARING VITAMIN B₆)

New York, New York
February 9, 2009

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING AMENDMENT
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before February 9, 2009, because February 8, 2009 fell on a Sunday. 37 CFR §§ 1.7, 1.8 and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1110.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time. 37 CFR § 1.17. Please charge any required extension-of-time fees, or any other fees, not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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